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Statement from House Majority Leader Julie Fahey on Republican Nationwide Abortion Ban Proposal

SALEM, Ore. - Today, <u>Majority Leader Julie Fahey</u> (D-West Eugene/Junction City) issues the following statement:

"As Republicans in Congress <u>introduce legislation to ban abortion nationwide</u>, here in Oregon, we believe that everyone should have the right to decide if and when they have children based on what's best for themselves and their families. Abortion remains legal and accessible here because of the <u>work that Oregon Democrats have done</u> to protect and expand access to reproductive health care throughout our state.

"Since the U.S. Supreme Court overturned *Roe v Wade*, anti-abortion politicians have pushed a coordinated and aggressive agenda to ban abortion outright at the state level and now at the national level. We've seen over and over again how these abortion bans in Red states have put peoples' lives and well-being at risk. And yet every year during Oregon's legislative sessions, Oregon Republicans introduce anti-abortion bills. Next session, I'm sure, will be no different.

"Oregon House Democrats remain committed to protecting access to abortion because every Oregonian should be free to make their own decisions about their future, without political interference."

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